

REMARKS

Claims 30-33 are under consideration, claims 17-20, and 29 having been canceled, claims 1-11, 13-16 and 21-28 having been withdrawn, and new claims 31-33 have been added. Claim 30 has been amended.


At the outset, applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication in the Office Action that claims 18, 19, 29 and 30 contain allowable subject matter subject to the objection of their dependency from a rejected claim. Accordingly, claims 18, 19 and 29 have been rewritten in independent form as new claims 31-33, added by this amendment. Claim 30 has been amended so as to depend from claim 33. Accordingly, claims 30-33, all the claims now pending in the application, are believed to be allowable.

The rejection of claims 17 and 20 is rendered moot with the cancellation of those claims.

In light of the above amendment and remarks, all the claims now pending in the application are believed to be allowable and an early allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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